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The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
United States Senate  
361A Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mitch:

Enclosed is a check in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) which represents the balance of the \$250,000.00 commitment by R. J. Reynolds to the University of Louisville McConnell Center for Political Leadership.

I am pleased that we were able to complete payment of this commitment prior to the three-year period and look forward to visiting the Center in the near future.

I hope you and Elaine had safe and peaceful holidays.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "TJ Payne".

Tommy J. Payne

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Enclosure

"We work for smokers."

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